

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

Welcome to another year of orchids!

It seems that the holiday season has flown by and here we are again ready for another busy year.

Waitakere Orchid Club is organizing a display to go up in New Plymouth for the 7th New Zealand Orchid Expo from October 30th to November 3rd 2013.

We are hoping you are all going to be involved in some way or other. This is a **club display** and we need your help to make it the best display yet. The show committee have been working very hard over the last few months designing the display, but we still need members input.

We will be talking about this at our meetings each month so please get involved — it's a lot of fun!

MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW

MARSHAL

The 2013 Ribbon Show will be held on Saturday 23rd February at the Whenuapai Hall. Same venue as last year, 43 Waimarie Rd.

Set Up: 8.00am

Staging of plants: 8.30am-9.30am

Judging by members: 10.00am

Prize giving & BBQ: 12.00pm

Open to the public: 1.00-3.00pm

The cost of the BBQ is \$6 ea. The club will provide the meat and soft drinks—you need to bring a salad or a dessert. We will take names and payment at the February meeting.

The club trading table will be operating. If you want to sell plants, please see Ken for sales tickets and sheets.

Linda will be running the jam and bric-a-brac table with all proceeds going towards the club.

This is always an enjoyable day so please come along.

Members from other clubs are welcome to attend. I need final numbers by Wednesday 20th February to help us with our catering.

Thank you,

Glenys.

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

Spelling = *

Name Change = #

Aerides

Aer. rosea (previously *fieldingii*) # – Ray Hogan

Ascocenda

Ascda. Memoria Kay Killington * - Bev Meredith

Cattleya

C. Tokyo Magic x *C. Ken Dream* – Ray Hogan

C. Memoria Ken Martin # (*C. Mahalo Jack* x *Bright Angel*) – Pauline Weeks

C. Dream Catcher – Leroy Orchids

Coelogyne

Coel. mooreana ‘Taylors Pride’ - Leroy Orchids

Cymbidium

Cym. no name – Melvin Alexander

Disa

Disa. Kalgoorlie

Dennis Chuah

Encyclia

E. plicata – Dennis Chuah

Lycaste

Lyc. Edinensis – Bev Meredith

Lyc. deppei – Dennis Chuah

Masdevallia

Masd. Eunice # (*Cuzco Gold* x *peristeria*)

Masd. coccinea ‘LRG’

Masd. picea

Masd. Bob Hoffman ‘Lisa Jill’

Masd. coccinea ‘Magic Purple’ - Ken Morse

Masd. Falcata ‘Golden Talisman’

Masd. Sunset Jaguar

Masd. Don’s Dream ‘Magenta’ – Barry Baxter

Miltoniopsis

Mps. Un-named - Bev Meredith

Mps. Saint Hellier ‘Red Gem’ * - Leroy Orchids

Mps. Herralexandre *

Mps. Whale Bay ‘Gracious’ – Barry Baxter

Oncidopsis

Oip. Nelly Isler ‘Boon Red’ – Leroy Orchids

Paphiopedilum

Paph. delenatii * - Bev Meredith

Phalaenopsis

Phal. Super Idol (unable to confirm name) – Linda Alexander

Phal. Cordova ‘Maria Teresa’ – AM/AOS – Glenys MacRae

Phal. Baldan’s Kaleidoscope * - Mary Jones

Prosthechea

Psh. cochleata – Dennis Chuah

Tolumnia

Tolu. Willowbank Strawberry * – Barry Baxter.

Those members with a* or # beside their plant name, please correct your label.

Names written in *italics* depicts it is a *species*.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5th February

7.30pm,(7pm Early Forum for newer members)

Lions Whitehouse

Our first meeting for 2013 will be an informal night. Bring your questions and any plant you would like help with.

This will be a good night to catch up with your club friends.

Plants on display, library and trading table will all be operating.

Please bring a small plate for supper, which will be held during the evening.

Help will be needed to vacuum the hall after the meeting.

TARANAKI WEEKEND VISIT

A group of 40 Waitakere Orchid club members had a fabulous weekend away early January to visit the Taranaki Orchid Society Summer Show.

The Bus Left Rata Road on time and headed south to our destination, eventually arriving after 7 long hours on the road, several loo stops and lunch on the way!

After settling into our accommodation we set out for a meal down town. Evidently while we were having dinner there was an earthquake! Glenys noticed it but the rest of us were blissfully unaware.

Early Saturday morning some of us went off to seminars, some to the markets and Pukekura Park and others had a nice sleep in. The bus delivered us to the show venue and we had a great time at the car boot sale area collecting a few more treasures to take home. The show was delightful.

After dinner George Fuller took us for a walk through the illuminated Pukekura Park, (complete with balloons on sticks). For some this was their first time through the park at night amid the thousands of locals also enjoying the very warm, balmy evening.

Before heading home those of us who were not attending lectures had a lovely walk along the waterfront. Glenys and Pauline found a market and a small group of us had an impromptu Tai Chi lesson on the boardwalk!

Forty five kg's of blueberries were picked up at Piopio and then we headed home!

We would like to thank Taranaki members for taking such good care of us. They provided wonderful meals and snacks and ferrying those who needed to go to different places, in their cars. We are all very grateful for their kindness and hospitality.

A big thank you to Roy, (with help from Lee) for a fabulous memorable weekend.



Happy February Birthday to.....

Man Lo, Joe Vance and Evelyn Ong.

Raffle results.....



Our Xmas raffles were a great success with members kindly donating plants as prizes and the club donating three Westfield Cards.



We were very sorry to hear that Anjo McKernan was involved in an accident over the Xmas period. Anjo is in North Shore Hospital and shall be there for some weeks.



Many of you will remember Lucille Rowe, one of our members for many years until ill health made her unable to attend meetings.

Lucille passed away on December 12th 2012. She will be remembered by her lovely orchids and also her help with Flower Power at our Spring Show each year.

FROM THE DECEMBER MEETING

Club members and friends enjoyed a very relaxed dinner and evening at 'Golden Moments' restaurant.

Thank you those members who brought plants - we had a wonderful display. Beryl Calder won the popular vote.

The main prize of the year for members bringing in plants on club night for plants on display was won by Ken Morse. Our main winners for the Westfield Cards were Melvin Alexander, Bert Ong and Hugh Fraser.



Please wear your name badges on club night.